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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2713

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2713 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by  
5 changing Sections 11-601 and 11-602 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-601) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-601)

7 Sec. 11-601. General speed restrictions.

8 (a) No vehicle may be driven upon any highway of this State  
9 at a speed which is greater than is reasonable and proper with  
10 regard to traffic conditions and the use of the highway, or  
11 endangers the safety of any person or property. The fact that  
12 the speed of a vehicle does not exceed the applicable maximum  
13 speed limit does not relieve the driver from the duty to  
14 decrease speed when approaching and crossing an intersection,  
15 approaching and going around a curve, when approaching a hill  
16 crest, when traveling upon any narrow or winding roadway, or

1 when special hazard exists with respect to pedestrians or other  
2 traffic or by reason of weather or highway conditions. Speed  
3 must be decreased as may be necessary to avoid colliding with  
4 any person or vehicle on or entering the highway in compliance  
5 with legal requirements and the duty of all persons to use due  
6 care.

7 (b) No person may drive a vehicle upon any highway of this  
8 State at a speed which is greater than the applicable statutory  
9 maximum speed limit established by paragraphs (c), (d), (d-1),  
10 (e), (f), (f-1), or (g) of this Section, by Section 11-605 or  
11 by a regulation or ordinance made under this Chapter.

12 (c) Unless some other speed restriction is established  
13 under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit in an urban  
14 district for all vehicles is:

- 15 1. 30 miles per hour; and
- 16 2. 15 miles per hour in an alley.

17 (d) In the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry,  
18 and Will, unless ~~Unless~~ some other speed restriction is  
19 established under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside  
20 an urban district for any vehicle of the first division or a  
21 second division vehicle designed or used for the carrying of a  
22 gross weight of 8,000 pounds or less (including the weight of  
23 the vehicle and maximum load) is (1) 65 miles per hour (i) for  
24 all highways under the jurisdiction of the Illinois State Toll  
25 Highway Authority and (ii) for all or part of highways that are  
26 designated by the Department, have at least 4 lanes of traffic,

1 and have a separation between the roadways moving in opposite  
2 directions and (2) 55 miles per hour for all other highways,  
3 roads, and streets.

4 (d-1) Outside the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake,  
5 McHenry, and Will, unless some other speed restriction is  
6 established under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside  
7 an urban district for any vehicle is (1) 65 miles per hour (i)  
8 for all highways under the jurisdiction of the Illinois State  
9 Toll Highway Authority and (ii) for all or part of highways  
10 that are designated by the Department, have at least 4 lanes of  
11 traffic, and have a separation between the roadways moving in  
12 opposite directions and (2) 55 miles per hour for all other  
13 highways, roads, and streets.

14 (e) In the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry,  
15 and Will, unless ~~Unless~~ some lesser speed restriction is  
16 established under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside  
17 an urban district for a second division vehicle designed or  
18 used for the carrying of a gross weight of 8,001 pounds or more  
19 (including the weight of the vehicle and maximum load) is 55  
20 miles per hour.

21 (f) In the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry,  
22 and Will, unless ~~Unless~~ some other speed restriction is  
23 established under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside  
24 an urban district for a bus is:

- 25 1. 65 miles per hour upon any highway which has at  
26 least 4 lanes of traffic and of which the roadways for

1 traffic moving in opposite directions are separated by a  
2 strip of ground which is not surfaced or suitable for  
3 vehicular traffic, except that the maximum speed limit for  
4 a bus on all highways, roads, or streets not under the  
5 jurisdiction of the Department or the Illinois State Toll  
6 Highway Authority is 55 miles per hour; and

7 2. 60 miles per hour on any other highway, except that  
8 the maximum speed limit for a bus on all highways, roads,  
9 or streets not under the jurisdiction of the Department or  
10 the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority is 55 miles per  
11 hour.

12 (f-1) Outside the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake,  
13 McHenry, and Will, unless some other speed restriction is  
14 established under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside  
15 an urban district for a bus is:

16 1. 65 miles per hour upon any highway which has at  
17 least 4 lanes of traffic and of which the roadways for  
18 traffic moving in opposite directions are separated by a  
19 strip of ground which is not surfaced or suitable for  
20 vehicular traffic; and

21 2. 55 miles per hour on any other highway.

22 (g) In the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry,  
23 and Will, unless ~~Unless~~ some other speed restriction is  
24 established under this Chapter, the maximum speed limit outside  
25 an urban district for a house car, camper, private living  
26 coach, vehicles licensed as recreational vehicles, and any

1 vehicle towing any other vehicle is 55 miles per hour or the  
2 posted speed limit, whichever is less.

3 (Source: P.A. 89-444, eff. 1-25-96; 89-551, eff. 1-1-97.)

4 (625 ILCS 5/11-602) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 11-602)

5 Sec. 11-602. Alteration of limits by Department.

6 (a) Whenever the Department determines, upon the basis of  
7 an engineering and traffic investigation concerning any  
8 highway for which the Department has maintenance  
9 responsibility, that a maximum speed limit prescribed in  
10 Section 11-601 of this Chapter is greater or less than is  
11 reasonable or safe with respect to the conditions found to  
12 exist at any intersection or other place on such highway or  
13 along any part or zone thereof, the Department shall determine  
14 and declare a reasonable and safe absolute maximum speed limit  
15 applicable to such intersection or place, or along such part or  
16 zone. However, such limit shall not:

17 (1) in the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake,  
18 McHenry, and Will, exceed 65 miles per hour, or 55 miles  
19 per hour for a second division vehicle designed or used for  
20 the carrying of a gross weight of 8,001 pounds or more  
21 (including the weight of the vehicle and maximum load), on  
22 a highway or street which is especially designed for  
23 through traffic and to, from, or over which owners of or  
24 persons having an interest in abutting property or other  
25 persons have no right or easement, or only a limited right

1 or easement, of access, crossing, light, air, or view, and  
2 shall not exceed 55 miles per hour on any other highway;  
3 or-

4 (2) outside the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake,  
5 McHenry, and Will, exceed 65 miles per hour on a highway or  
6 street which is especially designed for through traffic and  
7 to, from, or over which owners of or persons having an  
8 interest in abutting property or other persons have no  
9 right or easement, or only a limited right or easement, of  
10 access, crossing, light, air, or view, and shall not exceed  
11 55 miles per hour on any other highway.

12 (b) Where a highway under the Department's jurisdiction is  
13 contiguous to school property, the Department may, at the  
14 school district's request, set a reduced maximum speed limit  
15 for student safety purposes in the portion of the highway that  
16 faces the school property and in the portions of the highway  
17 that extend one-quarter mile in each direction from the  
18 opposite ends of the school property. A limit determined and  
19 declared as provided in this Section becomes effective, and  
20 suspends the applicability of the limit prescribed in Section  
21 11-601 of this Chapter, when appropriate signs giving notice of  
22 the limit are erected at such intersection or other place, or  
23 along such part or zone of the highway. Electronic  
24 speed-detecting devices shall not be used within 500 feet  
25 beyond any such sign in the direction of travel; if so used in  
26 violation hereof, evidence obtained thereby shall be

1 inadmissible in any prosecution for speeding. However, nothing  
2 in this Section prohibits the use of such electronic  
3 speed-detecting devices within 500 feet of a sign within a  
4 special school speed zone indicating such zone, conforming to  
5 the requirements of Section 11-605 of this Act, nor shall  
6 evidence obtained thereby be inadmissible in any prosecution  
7 for speeding provided the use of such device shall apply only  
8 to the enforcement of the speed limit in such special school  
9 speed zone.

10 (Source: P.A. 93-624, eff. 12-19-03.)

11 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
12 1, 2009."